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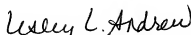
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COMMENTS ON EXAMINERS STATEMENT OF REASON FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

The Notice of Allowability mailed March 28, 2008 included a statement of reasons for allowance. The Examiner stated that the allowability of Claim 1 resides in the overall structure of the power supply recited in Claim 1 and in part in certain claim elements, including the first series circuit, the second series circuit, smoothing circuit and control circuit and the transformer. The Examiner also stated that Claim 3 was allowable "at least in part because of the subject matter identical to that of claim 1", Claim 4 was allowable "at least in part because of the subject matter identical to that of claim 1" and Claim 6 was allowable "at least in part because of the combination of subject matter identical to that of independent claims 1, 3, and 4."

To the extent that the Examiner's reasons for allowance suggest or state that Claims 3, 4 and 6 recite all of the limitations of Claim 1 or recite identical limitations to Claim 1, it is noted that these are separate independent claims. "The record as a whole" must be considered as a supplement to the statement of reasons for allowance, and to the extent that the record is clear and complete, it shall control the interpretation of any and all claims.

If there remain any additional issues to be addressed, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at 404.685-6799.

Respectfully submitted,

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